COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS)
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF COLUMBIA) CASE NO. 94-179-AA
GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.)

<u>ORDER</u>

On November 1, 1994, in Case No. 94-179, the Commission approved certain adjusted rates for Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with Columbia's gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On March 30, 2001, Columbia filed its GCA to be effective May 1, 2001 to May 31, 2001.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

- 1. Columbia's notice proposed revised rates designed to pass on its expected increased wholesale gas costs to its customers. Columbia's proposed expected gas cost ("EGC") for the period beginning May 1, 2001 is \$8.2943 per Mcf, an increase of 58.83 cents per Mcf from Columbia's last EGC of \$7.7060.
- Columbia's notice set out a rate for Banking and Balancing Service of
 2.08 cents per Mcf.
 - 3. Columbia's notice set out no take-or-pay refund adjustment.

- 4. Columbia's notice set out no transportation take-or-pay refund adjustment.
- 5. Columbia's notice set out no current quarter refund adjustment ("RA"). The total RA of .88 cents per Mcf reflects previous quarter adjustments.
- 6. Columbia's notice set an annual actual cost adjustment ("ACA") of 59.91 cents per Mcf to collect under-recovered gas cost from the 12 months ended June 30, 2000.
- 7. Columbia's notice set out its 6-month balancing adjustment ("BA") of 5.56 cents per Mcf to reconcile variances from previous refund and balancing adjustments. This represents no change from the previous rate.
- 8. Columbia's notice set out a Special Agency Service refund adjustment of 0 cents per Mcf. This represents no change from the prior rate.
- 9. The combined effect of the above adjustments is Columbia's gas cost recovery rate ("GCR") of \$8.9402 per Mcf, which is 58.83 cents per Mcf more than its previous GCR of \$8.3519 per Mcf.
- 10. The rate adjustments in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, are in the public interest, and should be approved for gas supplied on and after May 1, 2001.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and are effective for gas supplied on and after May 1, 2001.
- 2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Columbia shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of April, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 94-179-AA DATED APRIL 30, 2001

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE BILLING RATES

SCHEDULE GSR	Base Rate <u>Charge</u>		Adjustment <u>Commodity</u>	Total Billing Rate
First 1 Mcf or less per mo. Over 1 Mcf per mo.	\$8.10 2.1800	\$1.3886 1.3886	\$7.5516 7.5516	\$17.0402 11.1202
RATE SCHEDULE GSO				
Commercial or Industrial First 1 Mcf or less per mo. Next 49 Mcf per mo. Next 350 Mcf per mo. Next 600 Mcf per mo. Over 1000 Mcf per mo. Delivery Service Administrative Charge Standby Service Demand Charge	22.00 2.1800 2.1149 2.0149 1.8409	1.3886 1.3886 1.3886 1.3886 1.3886	7.5516 7.5516 7.5516 7.5516 7.5516	30.9402 11.1202 11.0551 10.9551 10.7811
Demand Charge Times Daily Firm Vol. (Mcf) In Customer Service Agreement		8.5917		8.6601
Delivery Rate Per Mcf First 400 Mcf per mo. Next 600 Mcf per mo. All Over 1000 Mcf per mo. Former IN8 Rate Banking and Balancing Service	2.1149 2.0149 1.8409 1.0575	0.0208		2.1149 2.0149 1.8409 1.0575 0.0208

RATE SCHEDULE IS

Customer Charge per mo. First 30,000 Mcf Over 30,000 Mcf	\$135.79 .6368 .3384	7.55° 7.55°		\$135.79 8.1884 7.8900		
Standby Service Demand Charge Times Da in Customer Service Agree	aily Firm Vol. (Mcf)	8.6601		8.6601		
Delivery Service Administrative Charge First 30,000 Mcf Over 30,000 Mcf Banking and Balancing Se	65.00 .6368 .3384 rvice	.0208		65.00 .6368 .3384 .0208		
RATE SCHEDULE IUS						
For All Volumes Delivered Each Month	.3539	1.3886	7.5516	9.2941		
Delivery Service Administrative Charge Delivery Rate per Mcf Banking and Balancing Se	65.00 .3539 rvice	1.3886 0.0208		65.00 1.7425 0.0208		
Mainline Delivery Service Administrative Charge Delivery Rate per Mcf Banking and Balancing Se	65.00 0.1000 rvice	0.0208		65.00 0.1000 0.0208		
RATE SCHEDULE IN6 – INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL						
Commodity Charge	1.7363	1.3886	7.5516	10.6765		
RATE SCHEDULE IN7 – SMALL COMMERCIAL						
Commodity Charge	.5924	1.3886	7.5516	9.5326		

^{*}IS customers may be subject to the demand gas cost, under the conditions set forth on Sheets 48 and 51 of this tariff.